GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA

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WATER QUALITY OF NATIONAL ACQUATIC RESOURCES
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) has been monitoring water quality of national acquatic resources in various States;

(b) if so, whether CPCB in a study has revealed that municipal corporations have inadequate resources for their municipal sewerage; and

(c) if so, the corrective measures suggested by the study group to remedy the situation?

Answer

MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI T. R. BAALU)

(a) & (b) Yes, Sir. The Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) is monitoring water quality of rivers and lakes at 507 locations in various states in the country. In most of the cases, municipal corporations do not have adequate resources for treatment of their wastewaters.

(c) Government of India has taken up schemes in several towns for treatment of wastewater under Ganga Action Plan/Yamuna Action Plan and subsequently, under National River Conservation Plan.